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A-20 D. BELGRADE 0732 E. ZAGREB 0107, F. BELGRADE 2695
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1. FOLLOWING INFORMATION KEYED TO QUESTIONS 1-9 OF PARA I OF
REF A.

(1) CRUDE OIL - 3.2 MILLION METRIC TONS
NATURAL GAS - 1,242 MILLION CUBIC METERS

(2) CUMULATIVE PRODUCTION (THROUGH 12/31/72)
CRUDE OIL - 31.1 MILLION METRIC TONS
NATURAL GAS - 6,924 MILLION CUBIC METERS
PRODUCTION STATISTICS FOR OIL AND NATURAL GAS BEGIN IN 1930.
FOREGOING CUMULATIVE FIGURES EXCLUDE PART PERIOD WHEN NO
PRODUCTION RECORDS WERE KEPT.

(3) PROVED RECOVERABLE OIL RESERVES ARE: OIL - 510 MILLION METRIC
TONS; NATURAL GAS - 50 BILLION CUBIC METERS. FIGURES FOR RE-
SERVES ARE FOR ON-SHORE ONLY; OFFSHORE RESERVE FIGURES UNAVAIL-
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ABLE.

(4) UNPROVED RECOVERABLE OIL AND NATURAL GAS RESERVES UNAVAILABLE. ONSHORE/OFFSHORE BREAKDOWN ALSO UNAVAILABLE. COMPLETE RESULTS OF PRESENT OFFSHORE EXPLORATION NOT EXPECTED TO BE KNOWN UNTIL LATE IN DECADE.

(5) NOT AVAILABLE

(6) 22 OIL WELTR PRODUCING ONSHORE AS OF 12/31/72. 14 TEST SITES OFFSHORE. BREAKDOWN AS TO KIND OF WELL UNAVAILABLE. NO PRODUCTION SITES OFFSHORE.

(7) TWO: INA/NAFTAPLIN (ZAGREB) AND JUGOPETROL (KOTOR). SEE REF C FOR DESCRIPTION OF AREA BEING UNEXPLORED BY INA/NAFTAPLIN. JUGOPETROL (KOTOR) EXPLORATION OFF MONTENEGRO COAST SCHEDULED TO START IN 1973. JUGOPETROL HAS SIGNED JOINT-VENTURE AGREEMENT FOR OFFSHORE EXPLORATION AND DEVELOPMENT OF THIS AREA WITH TWO U.S. FIRMS - BUTTES OIL AND GAS AND CHALLENGER OIL AND GAS (REFS F AND G).

(8) APPROXIMATELY \$6 MILLION EXPENDED ON OFFSHORE EXPLORATION BY INA/NAFTAPLIN IN 1972. AMOUNT SPENT BY GOY UNAVAILABLE.

(9) IMPORTS/1972:

CRUDE OIL - 4.2 MILLION METRIC TONS

FUEL OIL 7"77/1:8&0 METRIC TONS

NATURAL GAS - 0

EXPORTS/1972:

CRUDE OIL - 0

FUEL O F - 50,000 METRIC TONS (BUNKERING PRODUCTS)

NATURAL GAS - 0

2. NO INFORMATION ON MARINE PLACER DEPOSITS IS AVAILABLE. AS FAR AS EMBASSY IS AWARE, THE J IS NO COMMERCIAL OFFSHORE EXPLOIT-
ATION OF MARINE MINERAL DEPOSITS IN YUGOSLAVIA AT THE PRESENT TIME.
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